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 both West Berliners and residents of the Soviet Zone, were dismissed
 in mid-February 1955 in accordance with decisions taken at the
 plenary session of the SED. These dismissals were by
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3. It was learned that dismissals which took place at VEB Funkwerk Koepenick
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1. It was learned that 300 workers of VEB Kabelwerk Koepenick, including both West Berliners and residents of the Soviet Zone, were dismissed 25X1 in mid-February 1955 in accordance with decisions taken by the 21st plenary session of the SED. These dismissals were largely revoked by the plant management after an hour-long sit-down strike of the plant's labor force. Instead, only members of the Intelligentsia are to be dismissed since the enterprise is obliged to cut its expenditures for salaries and wages.
2. At VEB Elektroapparatwerk Torgau, 300 workers were dismissed in February 1955.
3. It was learned that dismissals, which took place at VEB Funkwerk Koepenick after late January 1955, involved 60 employees who are West Berlin residents as well as 250 other employees including technicians, clerks, and workmen. All of them were allegedly political risks. One's not being a member of the FDGB was considered sufficient evidence to doubt his political reliability.

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